

FISCAL MEMORANDUM
SB 2979 – HB 3482

March 17, 2008

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT (015259): Requires any water sample drawn to test the water quality of the Pigeon River at the time such river enters Tennessee from Haywood County, North Carolina to be drawn within $\frac{1}{4}$ mile of the border. Such samples would be taken at a time when any power plant located within one mile of the border is running at least one generator. The results of such samples would be reported independently of any other water samples drawn to test the water quality of the river and would be required to meet both the apparent and true color standards established by the EPA. The Department of Environment and Conservation would be authorized to contract with local rafting entities for transportation services related to taking such samples.

FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:

Increase State Expenditures – Not Significant

FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

Unchanged from the original fiscal note.

Assumptions applied to amendment:

- Sampling would only be required at one additional location.
- The cost of transportation to the site and testing at the site is estimated to be not significant.
- No more than two samples per month to be tested.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



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James W. White, Executive Director

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